

Zion & St. James Lutheran Churches of Martin County, Minnesota



*Pastor John Henry*



**Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
*September 19, 2021*

**Regarding Membership and the Holy Communion**

We believe that, in the Holy Communion, the bread is truly Christ's Body and the wine is truly His Blood, given to us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins. As we receive this gift individually, we profess that we are truly one body in Christ—that we are united in one faith and teaching (doctrine). Ordinarily, full participation in this Holy Communion is reserved for those who are members in good standing of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. *Any visitors or guests who desire to partake of the Body and Blood of Christ are asked to please speak with the Pastor or an Elder before the service.*

**Opening Hymn**      *Baptized into Your Name Most Holy*      **590**

**Invocation, Confession & Absolution**      *LSB pgs. 184-185*

**Entrance Psalm**      *Psalm 37:4*



Delight yourself | in the LORD,\*  
and he will give you the desires | of your heart.

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

**Kyrie, Gloria in Excelsis, Prayer of the Day**      *LSB pgs. 186-189*

**Prayer (Collect) of the Day**      *LSB pg. 189*

**P** Let us pray.

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**First Reading***Jeremiah 11:18–20*

<sup>18</sup>The LORD made it known to me and I knew;  
then you showed me their deeds.  
<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.  
I did not know it was against me  
they devised schemes, saying,  
“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
that his name be remembered no more.”  
<sup>20</sup>But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously,  
who tests the heart and the mind,  
let me see your vengeance upon them,  
for to you have I committed my cause.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**Second Reading***James 3:13–4:10*

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. <sup>16</sup>For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

<sup>1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? <sup>6</sup>But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn

and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Alleluia** *Praise the Lord*

**C** Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**Holy Gospel**

*Mark 9:30–37*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>30</sup>[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” <sup>36</sup>And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>“Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**Sermon Hymn** *Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us*

**851**

**Sermon**

**Recognition of New Members** *SJL only*

**Creed & Prayers** *LSB pg. 192, or inside the back of the hymnal.*

**Offering & Offertory** *LSB pg. 192*

**The Service of the Sacrament** *LSB pgs. 194-198*

*The distribution of the Body & Blood of Christ.*

**Distribution Hymns**

<i>O Lord, We Praise Thee</i>	<b>617</b>
<i>What Wondrous Love Is This</i>	<b>543</b>
<i>Just as I Am, without One Plea</i>	<b>570</b>

**Nunc Dimittis, Thanksgiving, Benediction**      *LSB pg. 199-202*

**Closing Hymn**      *By All Your Saints in Warfare*      **518 sts. 1, 25, 3**

1    By all Your saints in warfare,  
      For all Your saints at rest,  
      Your holy name, O Jesus,  
      Forevermore be blest!  
For You have won the battle  
      That they might wear the crown;  
And now they shine in glory  
      Reflected from Your throne.

25 *St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist (September 21)*

Praise, Lord, for him whose Gospel  
      Your human life declared,  
Who, worldly gain forsaking,  
      Your path of suffering shared.  
From all unrighteous mammon,  
      O raise our eyes anew  
That we in our vocation  
      May rise and follow You.

△ 3 Then let us praise the Father  
      And worship God the Son  
And sing to God the Spirit,  
      Eternal Three in One,  
Till all the ransomed number  
      Fall down before the throne,  
Ascribing pow'r and glory  
      And praise to God alone.

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### In Our Prayers

#### St James

*Baptism Birthdays:* Rorey Becker, Laurie Quinn, Brandon Kluver,  
Sarah Kluver, Jean Schultz, Carson Scheff, Jennifer Luhmann,  
Madison Boyd, Jordan Wiederhoeft

*Serving our Country:* Adam Quade

*Sick & In Distress:* Mitchell Wagner

*Homebound:* Bev Graplar, Adeline Hartmann, Janice Peterson, Carl Luhmann

#### Zion

*Baptism Birthdays:* Peggy Wille, Silas Henry, Amy Nelson

*Serving our Country:* Ben Peymann, Dalton Fette, Kory Brown,  
Jesse Peterson

*Sick & In Distress:* Greg Wallace, Duane Behrens, Kathy Bergemann

*Homebound:* Dale Schwieger, Arlene Darmer, Bill Peymann, Lenore Wendt,  
Norma Patsche

**Bulletins are sponsored by Jim & Cheryl Becker** in Glory to God for blessing them with 60 years of marriage on September 9th. **Flowers on the alter at SJL** are from Jim & Cheryl's children and families.

**The Online Broadcast this week is sponsored by Daryl & Sonia Hoewisch** in Thanksgiving to God for blessing them with 20 years of marriage on September 22nd.

**Deadline to submit items for the October newsletter is Tuesday Sept 21st.** You can submit through email, phone message or in person.

**Donations for Zion Kitchen Remodel** are welcomed. Please make checks out to Zion Lutheran and designate to Kitchen Remodel.

**Thank You** to everyone who attended the Zion Church Picnic. There was a great turnout and it was a beautiful day to spend in fellowship.

**LYF** will be meeting next Sunday (9/26) at 6pm in Northrop. We will be continuing our study of Matthew and play Family Feud, Bible Version. All students grades 7-12 are encouraged to attend.

**Harvest Dinner at SJL**, sponsored by the Eve Circle, is scheduled for Sunday November 7th. Be watching for more details.



**NEEDED: Sunday School Superintendent at SJL.** Please contact Paul Tomlinson (236-2143).

**LWML Southwest Conference Fall Get-Together** is set for Saturday, Oct. 2, at Rost, MN-- St. Paul Lutheran Church (38886 800th Street, Lakefield). Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. (\$5 fee). Welcome and opening at 9:00. Theme for the event is based on two verses: "The Lord Is My Rock" Ps. 18:2 & "Give Thanks To the Lord" 1Chron. 16:8. The speakers are the Rev. Dr. Richard Carter & Miriam Carter, Concordia Theological Seminary, regarding their service in Hong Kong. Gifts From the Heart will include items for the Orphan Grain Train--a list will be published at a later date. Also be aware that this is the day BEFORE our already scheduled *Zone Fall Rally in Blue Earth*..

**LWML Blue Earth Zone Fall Rally, Sunday, October 3rd** at St Paul Lutheran Church in Blue Earth. Registration begins at 1pm and the rally begins at 1:30pm. Pastor Anthony Bertram, from St Paul Lutheran in Fairmont, will be the speaker and this year's theme is from LSB hymn #589 "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens". Gifts from the heart will go to Options Pregnancy Center in Fairmont.

**St Paul's Lutheran Church LWML & School of Fairmont will be hosting a Fall Gala Event on November 5th** at Interlaken Golf Club in Fairmont. Tickets are \$50.00 and include Dinner with both Silent & Live Auctions plus games. The fun begins at 5:00PM. For more information, contact SPL Church Office, 238-9491.

#### **MARTIN LUTHER HIGH SCHOOL**

**Help Martin Luther High School double their KWIK Trip rewards during the month of September.** Purchase KWIK Trip gift cards through the MLHS office. Available in \$10's, \$25's, \$50's and \$100's. Stock up! Call Sarah Odegaard at 507-436-5249 or stop in during office hours. Thank you!

**The Martin Luther High School Yearbook staff is selling Simply Sweet Cheesecakes and Sweet Tango Apples until September 20th.** Apples will be delivered after September 24th and Cheesecakes after October 1st. Cheesecakes come in a pack of 6 cupcakes for \$15 and apples are \$10 for a 5# bag. For more information call the MLHS office at 507-436-5249.

**Martin Luther High School Class of 2023** will be working for tips at the **Pizza Ranch** in Fairmont on **Wednesday, September 29** from 5:00 p.m. to close. Please come and support their service.

**Martin Luther High School Class of 2024** will be hosting a **Baked Potato Bar** Dinner on **Sunday, October 24th** from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Load your baked potato with a variety of toppings, enjoy dessert and beverage and support the students! Cost is a free will donation.

**ST JAMES LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

**Grocery Receipts for SJLS.** Receipts should ONLY be from the Fairmont HyVee or Fareway stores. Thank you for saving your receipts! **Each \$150,000 in receipts gets us a \$1,000 check.**


HyVee \$70,000      Fareway \$72,000

**Receipts from HyVee can be grocery, gas or pharmacy**

**The Panther Press** is now available to view online at [sjlnorthrop.com](http://sjlnorthrop.com). Check out all the wonderful happenings at the school. Hover over the School Tab across the top of the home page and in the dropdown menu you will find Panther Press, then just choose a date.

**SJL Apparel Online Store** is also available for anyone on our website.

Caregivers are so special as they take care of a loved one 24/7 and sometimes put their own health at risk! CREST is hosting **“Powerful Tools for Caregivers,”** which is a 6 week class that can help caregivers find time for themselves, stave off burnout, and still take care of their care partner. This class will meet on Tuesday mornings from **September 14<sup>th</sup>-October 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11:00am** at the CREST offices, located at 820 Winnebago Avenue in Fairmont. A suggested donation of \$10 is requested to help defray the cost of the guide book. To register, please call the CREST office at 235-3833.

	<p>Matthew Moeller &amp; Jayden Fritz would like to invite all friends and family to their Wedding Dance held at Flying Goose Campground in Fairmont on Saturday, October 2nd at 8PM.</p>
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<b>Those Serving our Lord</b>	
<b>Greeters</b>	
<b>SJL 9-19</b>	Bethany & Brianna Petrowiak
<b>9-26</b>	Web & Dar Quade
<b>Zion 9-19</b>	
<b>9-26</b>	Dorie Schwieger & Sarah Wirth



**THIS WEEK WITH OUR LORD: September 19—26, 2021**

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 8:30AM–1:00PM**

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<b>Sunday</b>	<b>SJL New Members Recognition</b>	
	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM
	SJL Congregational Brunch	(SJ) 9:45 AM
	NFL	(SJ) 7:00 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM
<b>Wednesday</b>	Confirmation Class (6th & 7th grades)	(SJ) 4:00 PM
	Confirmation Class (8th grade)	(SJ) 5:00 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	Chapel	(SJ) 8:40 AM
<b>Friday</b>	Morning Bible Study	(SJ) 8:00 AM
<b>Sunday</b>	Divine Worship	(SJ) 8:30 AM, (Z) 10:00 AM
	Sunday School/Bible Class	(Z) 8:45 AM, (SJ) 9:45 AM
	LYF	(SJ) 6:00 PM

“God has put us in our roles as life-affirming Lutherans in this place at this time. We must continue despite the world’s resistance. We must lean on God because He will support us. We must remember He has the words of eternal life!” *Virginia Flo, Regional Director of Minnesota and National Conference Director, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Online giving is an easy and reliable method to contribute to your church while you are out of town, or if you are interested in eliminating the need to remember your envelope on Sunday morning. You can make a one time donation or save time and schedule recurring contributions. This option is available for either congregation through our website, sjlnorthrop.com.



Reflecting our Stewardship – Zion			September 12, 2021
Attendance	96 (HC 69)	Home	\$3,140.00
Loose Plate	\$61.00	Missions	\$265.00

Reflecting our Stewardship – St James			September 12, 2021
Attendance	72 (HC 65)	Home	\$7,204.00
Online	\$775.56	Missions	\$500.00
Loose Plate	\$222.00	Tuition	\$325.00
Mem. SJL School	\$10.00		